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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review and Approval;

Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. Comments submitted during the first public review of this ICR will be provided to OMB. OMB will accept further comments from the public during the review and approval period.

DATES: Comments on this ICR should be received no later than [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS

AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, including the Information Collection Request Title, to the desk officer for HRSA, either by email to <u>OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov</u> or by fax to 202-395-5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the clearance requests submitted to OMB for review, email the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at paperwork@hrsa.gov or call (301) 443-1984.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Information Collection Request Title: Rural Health Care Services Outreach Program Measures

OMB No. 0906- XXXX - New

Abstract: The Rural Health Care Services Outreach (Outreach) Program is authorized by section 330A(e) of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act (42 U.S.C. 254c(e)), as amended, to "promote rural health care services outreach by expanding the delivery of health care services to include new and enhanced services in rural areas." The goals for the Outreach Program are the following: (1) expand the delivery of health care services to include new and enhanced services exclusively in rural communities; (2) deliver health care services through a strong consortium, in which every consortium member organization is actively involved and engaged in the planning and delivery of services; (3) utilize and/or adapt an evidence-based or promising practice model(s) in the delivery of health care services; and (4) improve population health and demonstrate health outcomes and sustainability.

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: For this program, performance measures were drafted to provide data to the program and to enable HRSA to provide aggregate program data required by Congress under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993. These measures cover the principal topic areas of interest to the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP), including: (a) access to care; (b) population demographics; (c) staffing;

(d) consortium/network; (e) sustainability; and (f) project specific domains. Several measures will be used for the Outreach Program. All measures will speak to FORHP's progress toward meeting the goals.

A 60-day <u>Federal Register</u> Notice was published in the <u>Federal Register</u> on December 22, 2014, (79 FR 76334). There were no comments.

Likely Respondents: The respondents would be recipients of the Rural Health Care Services

Outreach grant funding.

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

Total Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

	Number of	Number of Responses per	Total	Average Burden per Response	Total Burden
Form Name	Respondents	Respondent	Responses	(in hours)	Hours
Rural Health	50	1	50	3	150
Care Services					
Outreach Grant					
Program					
Measures					
Total	50	1	50	3	150

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